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## Sen. George offers statement on citizen-initiated "Legal Birth Definition Act"

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**LANSING** – Sen. Tom George, R-Texas Township, offered the following statement on the citizen-initiated Legal Birth Definition Act that today was approved by the Senate:

"Today I cast my vote in favor of the citizen-initiative known as the Legal Birth Definition Act. I had previously voted for Senate Bill 395, which would have banned partial-birth abortions but was vetoed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm. The legislation we passed today is not subject to veto by the governor. It is the product of a petition drive which gathered over 460,000 signatures in record time. I carefully reviewed the proposal and am confident it will not affect the performing of legitimate abortions or have a detrimental effect on women's health."

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Audio comments from Sen. George are available on the Senate Multi-Media Link at: www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/audiowire/index.htm.